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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Serial No.:	10/825,157	Inventor:	Daniel KING et al.
Attorney No.:	KING3001/JEK/JJC	Customer No.:	23364
Filed:	April 16, 2004	Confirm. No:	7842
Examiner:	Kenneth PETERSON	Art Unit:	3724
For:	CUTTING HEAD MOUNTING AND SUPPORT RING SYSTEM		

ELECTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated March 31, 2005 in the above-application.

Applicants hereby elects the claims of Invention I, as identified in the Office action for prosecution on the merits. Claims 2 and 7 are drawn to Invention I and examination of such claims is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 6, 8, 12 and 13 are acknowledged in the Office action as linking the groups of I and II, and these claims will be examined with claims 2 and 7.

Applicant hereby reserves all rights to the non-elected subject matter.

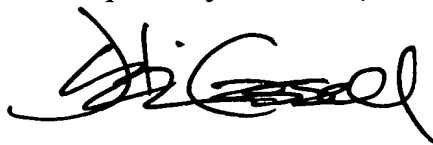
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If any issues remain that may be resolved by a telephone or facsimile communication with the Applicant's Attorney, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the numbers shown below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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